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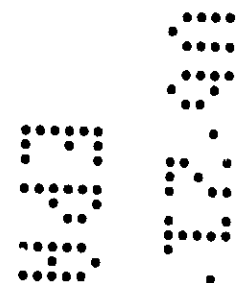
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RE: Johnson & Johnson Medical Inc.
CIDEX O.P.A. Antimicrobial
EPA File Symbol 7078-RT
Filing of Section 6(a)(2) Adverse Effect Report
For ortho-Phthalaldehyde (O.P.A.) T.G.A.I.

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Johnson & Johnson Medical Inc. currently has their CIDEX O.P.A. Antimicrobial submission in the final stages of review by the Agency before registration is granted. The EPA File Symbol for this product is 7078-RT. As their consultant representative, STEWART is authorized to represent J & J Medical (formerly SURGIKOS) relative to any EPA, OPP matters. Enclosed is the pertinent correspondence noting this.

Union Carbide recently conducted two screening studies pertinent to sensitizing potential (final reports are not yet available) on the ortho-Phthalaldehyde (O.P.A.) T.G.A.I. (only). These are as follows:

LOCAL LYMPH NODE PROLIFERATIVE ASSAY

(Skin Sensitizing Potential)

MOUSE IgE TEST

(Respiratory Sensitization)

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The studies are summarized in the enclosed attachment along with Union Carbide's cover letter. On the basis of the two studies, O.P.A. has the potential to be a respiratory tract and a skin sensitizing agent.

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As Johnson & Johnson Medical Inc. wishes to be in compliance with EPA's requirements, we are filing this 6(a)(2) adverse effect report relative to the ortho-Phthalaldehyde T.G.A.I. component. Please don't hesitate to contact me, should there be any questions.

Sincerely,


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Manager, Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

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